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## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**LS 6417 DATE PREPARED:** Mar 25, 2002 **BILL NUMBER:** SB 99 **BILL AMENDED:** Mar 13, 2002

**SUBJECT:** Onsite Waste Management Districts.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

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<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> (CCR Amended) This bill permits the establishment of county onsite waste management districts. The bill specifies the requirements for (1) establishment through a petition and hearing process; (2) inclusion of area in a municipality under certain circumstances; (3) dissolution; and (4) operations. The bill specifies that in certain counties, imposition of rates and charges by the district must be approved by the county council.

Effective Date: (CCR Amended) July 1, 2002.

#### **Explanation of State Expenditures:**

## **Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** (Revised) County onsite waste management districts may be established. Districts may inventory, inspect, and monitor septic systems. The districts would coordinate activities of the local health department, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, the Department of Natural Resources, and the State Department of Health. Costs associated with the districts could be paid by participating counties, fees and/or rates assessed, or grants received. The impact of the provision will depend on the number and nature of districts established.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:** (Revised) The districts may receive grants for system maintenance and other activities. Districts may also recommend that the county impose fees or assess rates. The impact will depend on the number and nature of districts established.

<u>State Agencies Affected:</u> Indiana Department of Environmental Management, Department of Natural Resources, and the State Department of Health.

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# **Local Agencies Affected:** Counties.

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